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SUBJECT: CHILEAN DELEGATION TO 64TH ILO CONFERENCE

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1. THE GOC IS SPONSORING A 14 PERSON DELEGATION TO THE 64TH INTERNATIONAL LABOR ORGANIZATION CONFERENCE. THE GOVERNMENT DELEGATES FROM SANTIAGO PLAN TO TRAVEL TO GENEVA MAY 26, THE EMPLOYER DELEGATES ON MAY 27 AND THE LABOR DELEGATION ON JUNE 2. AS IN THE PAST, THE GOC HANDPICKED THE DELEGATION. HOWEVER, THIS YEAR THE LABOR GROUP MAY DEMONSTRATE MORE INDEPENDENCE OF GOC OFFICIAL POSITIONS THAN IN THE PAST. AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, THE ENTIRE CHILEAN DELEGATION WILL SUPPORT USG-BACKED EFFORTS TO DEPOLITICIZE THE ILO.

2. THE CHILEAN DELEGATION TO THE ILO CONFERENCE IS AS FOLLOWS:

GOVERNMENT DELEGATION:

JUAN RAUL VENTURA-JUNCA, CHAIRMAN (VICE MINISTER OF LABOR);
AMBASSADOR MANUEL TRUCCO, GOVERNMENT DELEGATION (PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO GENEVA);
LUIS WINTER, ADVISOR, CHILEAN MISSION TO GENEVA;
JAIME LAGOS, ADVISOR, CHILEAN MISSION TO GENEVA;
ARTURO MARIN, ADVISOR, DIRECTOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS OF MINLAB;

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BUSINESS DELEGATION:

MANUEL MONTT, DELEGATE, LEGAL ADVISOR TO CONFEDERATION OF PRODUCTION AND COMMERCE;
RAUL GARCIA, ADVISOR, LEGAL ADVISOR TO THE CHILEAN BUILDER'S ASSOCIATION;
PATRICIO VALDEZ, ADVISOR, MANAGER OF THE CHILEAN MANUFACTURING

ASSOCIATION (SOFOFA);

LABOR DELEGATION:

GUILLERMO MEDINA, DELEGATE, REGIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE EL TENIENTE
LABOR CENTER AND COUNSELOR OF STATE;
HERNOL FLORES, ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF ASSOCIATION OF POST AND
TELEGRAPH WORKERS (APTCH);
BERNARDINO CASTILLO, ADVISOR, GOC APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF THE
CONFEDERATION OF COPPER WORKERS (CTC) AND PRESIDENT OF THE RECENTLY
CREATED UNION OF CHILEAN WORKERS (UNTRACH);
JULIO BASTIAS, ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF THE NEWLY CREATED FEDERATION
OF PHOSPAHTE WORKERS;
ARTURO MAYORGA, ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF THE SEAMAN'S UNION AND
VICE PRESIDENT OF THE GOC-APPROVED PARALLEL MARITIME CONFEDERATION
(COMACH);
JUSE DOMINGUEZ,
ADVISOR, BXOC APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF THE PROFESSIONAL
EMPLOYEES OF THE LOTA COAL MINES;
FEDERICO MUJICA, ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERATION OF
PRIVATE EMPLOYEES (CEPCH);
RENE SOTOLOCHIO, ADVISOR, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND PRESIDENT OF THE GOC-SPONSORED NATIONAL
LABOR FRONT; AND
GLADYS PEAKE, ADVISOR, RETIRED SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CHILEAN
NURSING ASSOCIATION.

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4. COMMENT: HERNOL FLORES AND FEDERICO MUJICA HAVE BOTH COMMENTED
TO LABATT THAT THEY PLAN TO TAKE INDEPENDENT POSITIONS IN THIS
YEAR'S ILO CONFERENCE. FLORES IS PARTICULARLY DISPOSED TO "TAKE
ON THE GOVERNMENT" IF IT ASSUMES POSITIONS WHICH HE BELIEVES
TO BE UNFAVORABLE TO TRADE UNION ACTIVITY. THERE IS SOME POSSIBILITY
THAT MEDINA MAY WITHDRAW AT THE LAST MOMENT IN ORDER TO CONDUCT
SENSITIVE LABOR NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE STATE COPPER COMPANY. IN
THAT CASE, ARTURO MAYORGA WOULD BE THE LABOR DELEGATE. HE WOULD
BE MORE OPEN TO DISSENTING VIEWS FROM FLORES AND MUJICA THAN
WOULD BE MEDINA.
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